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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Sakae MATSUMOTO et al.

Appln. No.: 09/936,564

Group Art Unit: 3682

Filed: September 14, 2001

Examiner: B. Van Pelt

For: COLLAPSIBLE SHAFT ASSEMBLY

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FOR FILING APPEAL BRIEF

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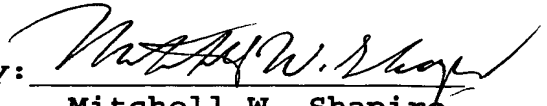
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time now set for filing an Appeal Brief be extended, retroactively, by two (2) months to February 22, 2004. The required petition fee for a large entity is submitted herewith. If any further extension of time is required to avoid abandonment of this application, such extension is hereby requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1165.

Respectfully submitted,

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